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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

July 3, 2001

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

14. (Amended) A polar olefin copolymer obtained by the process according to claim 1.